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SUBJECT: PROPOSED OFFICIAL TRAVEL OF BLAIR A. THOMPSON

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1. EMBASSY WOULD WELCOME RETURN VISIT OF THOMPSON BUT HAS MAJOR PROBLEM WITH PROPOSED SEPT 20-22 DATES, WHEN COMMATT WITH DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY FOR TPD PROGRAM WILL BE OUT OF BUDAPEST AND ECONOFF WILL BE FULLY ENGAGED WITH TREASURY DEPT GROUP NEGOTIATING U.S.-HUNGARIAN TAX TREATY.

2. THEREFORE, IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE EFFECTIVENESS OF PROPOSED HUNGARIAN VISIT, THOMPSON SHOULD PLAN ARRIVE BUDAPEST PRIOR TO SEPT 8. ASSUMING THIS SWITCH POSSIBLE, WE HAVE RESERVED SINGLE AT HOTEL DUNA INTERCONTINENTAL NIGHTS SEPT 6 AND 7 AND HAVE CONFIRMED RESERVATIONS ON LV-116 DEPARTING BUDAPEST 0900 SEPT 8 FOR SOFIA WHICH ENABLES THOMPSON TO VIEW PLOVDIV FAIR AS SCHEDULED REFTEL, WITH MINIMUM REVISION TO REMAINDER OF SCHEDULE. IF THIS TIMING IMPOSSIBLE, SUGGEST THOMPSON SCRATCH BUDAPEST STOP AND SIMPLY DISCUSS TPD PROGRAM AS PERTAINS BUDAPEST WITH BACHMANN AT COMMERCIAL OFFICERS CONFERENCE IN GARMISH.EPTLIAO PLEASE ADVISE
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